

# Dig Deeper @Home – Exodus 20-24

Complement to sermon on March 13

## MEMORIZE Exodus 40: 34-35

"Then the cloud covered the tent of meeting, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle. And Moses was not able to enter the tent of meeting because the cloud settled on it, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle."

# READ Exodus 20-24

#### **Questions to ponder/discuss:**

- 1. What is this passage revealing about God and what is it revealing about us as humans?
- 2. If the above is true, what needs to change in your life? What will that look like?
- 3. In chapter 20, Moses is given the Ten Commandments to give to the people. Why did God give us these commandments?
  - a. to test us
  - b. to show us our need for Him
  - c. to help us live a good life
  - d. to reveal what God's expectations are for us
  - e. Other:\_\_\_\_\_

4. Of all the Ten Commandments (20:3-17), which do you most need to hear? Which does our society and world most need to hear?

5. As you read Exodus 21-24, in what specific ways is God saying that his people are to be different and set apart from the world? What specific actions of mercy and justice are called for in these chapters? In what ways might God be asking you to reach out to someone with God's love and mercy?

6. READ Matthew 22:34-39 – What does Jesus say is the "Great Commandment" in the Law. What is the second greatest? How do all the other laws relate to the great commandment?

Bottom Line (Read over the Ten Commandments again. Now without looking, try to list the ten in order)

### **Experiential**

Sometimes activities help us to understand and process biblical truths. The below is one suggestion for how to experience the truths of Exodus 20-24. Feel free to use this one or any you might come up with.

**Mercy Needs Exercise** Choose one: A widow, orphan, refugee or the poor. Brainstorm ways you could do something special for one of these persons as an act of obedience and a sign of God's active love for that person.

SING (suggested songs to sing. Use these or any song you might want to sing) Build Your Kingdom Here <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YcSWpVKKMcs</u> This worship song by Rend Collective, invites the Holy Spirit to renew our hearts and our world

Take My Life and Let it be Consecrated - <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IQ93HVuYd5Y</u> Mennonite Hymnal #358: sing this as a prayer that your life would be dedicated to God's ceaseless praise.

### PRAY

This is a time to gather around for prayer requests and praise reports. A time to hear where God is showing up in our lives and where we need Him to show up in our lives.

**Sending prayer based on the lesson:** Heavenly Father, everything begins with your awesome work of grace. You have demonstrated your love through redemption. You have set us free from the slavery of sin. Now it is our turn to respond to your gracious love. So as we have listened to your word we now want to walk in obedience to your will. Lead us in your way. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.